



Environmental Bulletin

Volume 16, Number 9
May 12, 2005

from the Savannah River Site

Statement of Basis/Proposed Plan available for T-Area Operable Unit

The United States Department of Energy (DOE) will release a Statement of Basis/Proposed Plan on May 12, 2005 describing the proposed remedial approach for the T-Area operable unit at the Savannah River Site (SRS). The South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control (SCDHEC) will also release a draft Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) permit modification for the proposed remedial action for this unit. The plan and draft permit modification will be available for public review and copying at the locations listed below. The public comment period is scheduled for May 12, to June 26, 2005. These documents were completed to meet the terms of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA) and RCRA laws governing the investigation and cleanup of waste units.

The risks and cleanup alternatives associated with this unit have been evaluated. The following actions are recommended for the T-Area operable unit:

- Dispose Staged Wastes Onsite, Cap Residual Contamination, Place Soil Amendments in Outfall Delta and Inner Swamp, and Implement Institutional Controls.

T Area is one of several industrial use areas at SRS. T Area was used in the development and testing of processes, facilities, and equipment for various SRS programs. Until 1978, T Area included three main buildings constructed in 1950 (Buildings 677-T, 678-T, and 679-T). After 1978, the area was expanded to over 30 buildings consisting of office administrative buildings, process buildings for large-scale experimental demonstrations, laboratories for research and analytical purposes, pilot-scale facilities, bulk tank storage, industrial wastewater processing facilities, and warehouse storage for a wide range of chemicals and specialty equipment. All of the facilities in T Area have been dismantled and removed with the following exceptions: the 678-5T pump test facility and ancillary structures, the 702-T telecommunications building, the 906-T air stripper, and a soil vapor extraction (SVE) system. These facilities are still in use.

Comments on the Statement of Basis/Proposed Plan and the draft RCRA permit modification are requested by June 26, 2005. Upon completion of the public comment period, a Responsiveness Summary that addresses public comments will be prepared. The Responsiveness Summary will be made available with the Record of Decision and the final RCRA permit decision, and will be sent to each person who submits comments.

Copies of the Statement of Basis/Proposed Plan are available in the administrative record which also contains the Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study (RI/FS) report for this unit. The administrative record is available in the information repositories listed below:

- DOE Public Reading Room at the Gregg-Graniteville Library at the University of South Carolina-Aiken campus in Aiken, SC; and

- Thomas Cooper Library Government Documents Department at the University of South Carolina in Columbia, SC.

Hard copies of the Statement of Basis/Proposed Plan are available at the following:

- Reese Library at Augusta State University in Augusta, GA; and
- Asa H. Gordon Library at Savannah State University in Savannah, GA.

Copies of the draft RCRA permit modification/s are available for review at SCDHEC during regular business hours, 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, except legal holidays, at the following locations:

SCDHEC
Bureau of Land and Waste Management
8901 Farrow Road
Columbia, South Carolina 29203
Phone: (803)896-4000
or
SCDHEC
Lower Savannah District
Environmental Quality Control Office
218 Beaufort St., N.E.
Aiken, SC 29802
Phone: (803) 641-7670

If there is interest in discussing this recommended remedial approach, a public hearing may be requested.

Comments on the draft RCRA Permit modification and requests for public hearings of the Draft RCRA Permit modification should be sent to:

SCDHEC
Attn: John Litton, P.E., Director
Division of Waste Mgt.
Bureau of Land and Waste Management
2600 Bull Street
Columbia, SC 29201
(803) 896-4000

Comments on the Statement of Basis/Proposed Plan and requests for public meetings may be sent to:

Jim Moore
Westinghouse Savannah River Company
Savannah River Site
Building 742-A
Aiken, SC 29808
1-800-249-8155
jim02.moore@srs.gov

MAILING LIST

Name _____

e-mail address _____

mailing address _____

____ Add to mail list

____ Remove from mail list

____ Correct my address

Mail to:

SRS Environmental Bulletin
Savannah River Site
Building 742-A
Aiken, S.C. 29808



The SRS Environmental Bulletin

For more information on this or other
environmental and compliance activities
at SRS, please contact:

Jim Moore

Paul Sauerborn

Westinghouse

Westinghouse

Savannah River Co.

Savannah River Co.

Aiken, S.C. 29808

Aiken, S.C. 29808

(800) 249-8155

(803) 725-0665

jim02.moore@srs.gov

paul.sauerborn@srs.gov

The SRS Environmental Bulletin

Savannah River Site

Building 742-A

Aiken, S.C. 29808

